

26-4-28 Testing for suspected suicides -- Maintaining information -- Compensation to deputy medical examiners.

- (1) In all cases where it is suspected that a death resulted from suicide, including assisted suicide, the medical examiner shall endeavor to have the following tests conducted upon samples taken from the body of the deceased:
 - (a) a test that detects all of the substances included in the volatiles panel of the Bureau of Forensic Toxicology within the Department of Health;
 - (b) a test that detects all of the substances included in the drugs of abuse panel of the Bureau of Forensic Toxicology within the Department of Health; and
 - (c) a test that detects all of the substances included in the prescription drug panel of the Bureau of Forensic Toxicology within the Department of Health.
- (2) The medical examiner shall maintain information regarding the types of substances found present in the samples taken from the body of a person who is suspected to have died as a result of suicide or assisted suicide.
- (3) Within funds appropriated by the Legislature for this purpose, the medical examiner shall provide compensation, at a standard rate determined by the medical examiner, to a deputy medical examiner who collects samples for the purposes described in Subsection (1).

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